

# Wedding Planning Checklist

# 9 to 12 months before

- ☐ Choose the wedding date
- Determine your budget
- ☐ Choose your wedding party
- ☐ Create the guest list
- ☐ Hire a wedding planner (if desired)
- ☐ Reserve ceremony and reception venues
- Book the officiant
- Order and send save the dates
- Host the engagement party

# 8 to 9 Months Before

- ☐ Shop for and purchase wedding gown; book fittings
- ☐ Shop for and order bridesmaids' dresses; book fittings
- Book photographer and videographer
- Book ceremony, reception and dance musicians
- Book caterer and cake baker
- Book florist
- Book wedding transportation
- ☐ Reserve a block of hotel rooms
- Register for gifts

### 6 to 7 Months Before

- ☐ Plan honeymoon and make reservations
- ☐ Shop for men's formal wear; book fittings
- ☐ Reserve any rental items needed (tents, chairs, lighting, sound equipment, etc.)

## 5 to 6 months before

- Order wedding invitations and begin addressing
- ☐ Order thank you notes for bridal shower and other gifts

# 4 to 5 months before

- Book rehearsal dinner venue and plan menu
- Book wedding day hair and makeup appointments

### 3 months before

- Meet with officiant to finalize ceremony details
- Order wedding programs
- Order other printed items: table number cards, place cards, menu cards, coasters, napkins, favors, etc.
- ☐ Finalize plans and details with all vendors

### 2 months before

- Mail wedding invitations
- Submit announcement to newspaper
- Purchase gifts for each other
- Purchase gifts for the wedding party and your parents

### 1 month before

- Mail rehearsal dinner invitations
- ☐ Get marriage license
- ☐ Create wedding day schedule for bridal party and vendors
- Write your vows

# Week of the wedding

- ☐ Submit final payments to vendors
- ☐ Confirm plans and details with all vendors
- Notify caterer and venues of final guest count
- ☐ Pack for honeymoon

# The wedding day

- ☐ Make sure to take a few quiet moments together
- Enjoy and make memories!

